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EB-08 /071 W
-----291601Z 026485 /45

P 291448Z MAR 77

FM AMEMBASSY TRIPOLI
TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 4195
AMEMBASSY TUNIS

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TUNIS FOR RSO

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: ASEC, PINS, AFSP
SUBJ: LETTER BOMB

SUMMARY. EMBASSY FSL MESSENGER RECEIVED FROM LOCAL POST OFFICE MARCH 22 LETTER ADDRESSED TO UNITED STATES AMBASSADOR TO LIBYA WITH WARNING FROM POSTAL EMPLOYEE THAT LETTER MIGHT BE DANGEROUS. EMBASSY RELEASED LETTER TO CRIME AND INVESTIGATION UNIT AT MAIN POST OFFICE FOR ANALYSIS AND DESTRUCTION. EMBASSY INFORMED VERBALLY TODAY THAT LETTER DID CONTAIN EXPLOSIVE WHICH WOULD HAVE INJURED PERSON OPENING THE LETTER. END SUMMARY.

1. FSL MESSENGER ON HIS NORMAL PICKUP AT LOCAL POST OFFICE MARCH 22 RECEIVED A LETTER WITH WARNING THAT POSTAL AUTHORITIES THOUGHT THE LETTER MIGHT BE DANGEROUS AND THAT IF EMBASSY DID NOT WISH TO OPEN THE LETTER, THE LETTER COULD BE RETURNED TO THE POSTAL AUTHORITIES FOR CAREFUL OPENING.

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2. EMBASSY ADMIN OFFICER INITIALLY EXAMINED LETTER AND IT WAS DECIDED TO RETURN LETTER TO POSTAL AUTHORITIES FOR EXAMINATION AND DESTRUCTION. EMBASSY ATTEMPTED TO TAKE SNAPSHOTS OF LETTER BUT POLAROID PRINTS ARE NOT CLEAR. WILL FORWARD PRINTS TO DEPT.

3. FOLLOWING IS INFORMATION ON THE LETTER:

A. ENVELOPE (FRONT)

PLAIN WHITE ENVELOPE 3 1/4 INCHES BY 6 1/4 INCHES,
APPROX 1 OUNCE WEIGHT, 2 US THIRTY-ONE CENTS AIR MAIL
STAMPS; CANCELLATION POSTMARK NEWARK, MARCH 7 P.M.
STAMPED IN RED ACROSS TOP RIGHT HAND SIDE ABOVE STAMPS
- RECEIPT TAKEN OF P.O. MAILING; STAMPED IN RED ACROSS
TOP LEFT-HAND SIDE - BACK ORDERED MAR 25, 1975.
STAMPED IN GREEN BELOW ABOVE ON LEFT HAND SIDE AS
RETURN ADDRESS -

GERALD POOLE/1866
TEL 676-9000 - COST \$8.75
HARVARD GREEN RESTAURANT
88 EVERGREEN PL, E. ORANGE, N.J.

CK # 005733
1177/76
REF: VS CHAIRMAN, NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL,
DEPT OF DEFENSE CERT. P.O.
MAIL # 8777OP - 9/8/76

LETTER ADDRESSED (HAND WRITTEN) AS FOLLOWS:

TO
UNITED STATES
AMBASSADOR TO:
LIBYA
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EMBASSY OF U.S.
TRIPOLI, LIBYA
AFRICA

STAMPED IN GREEN BELOW ADDRESSEE:

\$MONEY ORDER #E627783 - 1/3/77
S.C. & G. CO. COLUMBIA, S.C.
#03-04-621044817

STAMPED IN LARGE RED LETTERS OVER LAST PORTION OF ABOVE:

RED GEM STONE FILE

B. ENVELOPE (BACK)

ON LEFT-HAND SIDE A BLACK AND WHITE PHOTO OF A
YOUNG BLACK BOY AND UNDERNEATH PHOTO FOLLOWING:

POLICE DEPT
ROCKY MOUNT. NC.
73227-20-48

STAMPED IN BLUE-GREEN ON RIGHT SIDE:

24488348 21979666
VA CLAIM NUMBER

STAMPED IN RED BELOW ABOVE:

(B) SHARES PANAMA CANAL 1914
FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM
VIA: CH. ARTHUR BURNS
US TREASURY
JAMES

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STAMPED IN GREEN OVER PORTION OF ABOVE:

HARVARD GREEN
2429901412/EAST
4960440909/ORNG
2290502020/N.J.

THE ENVELOPE WAS GUMMED BUT HAD SMALL PIECE OF CELLO-
PHANE TAPE SECURING A STRING WHICH LED INSIDE THE
ENVELOPE. THE STRING WAS A PART OF A TAG DESCRIBED
BELOW.

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EB-08 SYE-00 /071 W
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TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 4196
AMEMBASSY TUNIS

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C. TAG (FRONT)

TAG, APPROX 3 1/2 INCHES BY 5 1/4 INCHES LIGHT BUFF
COLOR. UPPER PORTION PRINTED AS FOLLOWS:

FORM 313 RED CAP CHECK
NATIONAL RAILROAD PASSENGER CORPORATION
AMTRACK
A 33-22 93
FREE
RED CAP SERVICE

ON RIGHT-HAND SIDE OF WORD AMTRACK ABOVE APPEARED
AMTRACK SYMBOL OR WHAT APPEARED TO BE OFFICIAL AMSTRACK
SYMBOL.

IN CENTER PORTION OF TAG A PIECE OF PAPER SEEMINGLY
MIMEOGRAPHED WAS PASTED WITH FOLLOWING INFO:

DESTINATION
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TO: GENERAL MANAGER (333-3070)
E. TENN. SHIPPERS ASSN.
1079 WESTSIDE AVE.
JERSEY CITY, N.J. 07306
REF: CHARLES GHEE (201) 621-7012
ENCYCLOPEDIA BRITANNICA #69690

PRINTED ON BOTTOM PORTION OF TAG BELOW ABOVE IN
COLUMNS

RED CAP ORIGIN DATE
NUMBER
16

FOLLOWED BY

BAGGAGE COPY
NEWARK, NY.

D. TAG (BACK) (ALL INFORMATION BELOW WAS PRINTED
ON TAG)

INSTRUCTIONS
BAGGAGE TO TRAIN
DESTINATION - TRAIN # CAR # AND SPACE
WILL BE RECORDED BY RED CAP AT TIME
OF ACCEPTANCE.

RED CAP WILL RETRIEVE CLAIM CHECK
FROM PASSENGER AND REMOVE THIS TAG
WHEN LUGGAGE IS LOADED ON TRAIN

BAGGAGE FROM TRAIN

CAR ATTENDANT OR PORTER WILL ATTACH
TAG ON LUGGAGE AND GIVE CLAIM CHECK
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TO PASSENGER

4. EMBASSY EXPECTS TO RECEIVE WRITTEN REPORT AND WILL
ADVISE DEPT OF FURTHER DETAILS WHEN AVAILABLE.

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Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptoning: X
Capture Date: 01-Jan-1994 12:00:00 am
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: EXPLOSIVES, POSTAL SERVICE
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Sent Date: 29-Mar-1977 12:00:00 am
Decapton Date: 01-Jan-1960 12:00:00 am
Decapton Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 22 May 2009
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1977TRIPOL00398
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Expiration:
Film Number: D770107-0594
Format: TEL
From: TRIPOLI
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1977/newtext/t1977039/aaaaahmtel
Line Count: 252
Litigation Code IDs:
Litigation Codes:
Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Message ID: f7c512bd-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Office: ACTION SY
Original Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 5
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Retention: 0
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 22-Mar-2005 12:00:00 am
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review Media Identifier:
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
SAS ID: 3198771
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: LETTER BOMB SUMMARY. EMBASSY FSL MESSENGER RECEIVED FROM LOCAL POST OFFICE MARCH 22 LETTER ADDRESSED TO UNITED STATES
TAGS: ASEC, PINS, AFSP, LY
To: STATE TUNIS
Type: TE
vdkgvwkey: odbc://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/f7c512bd-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Review Markings:
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